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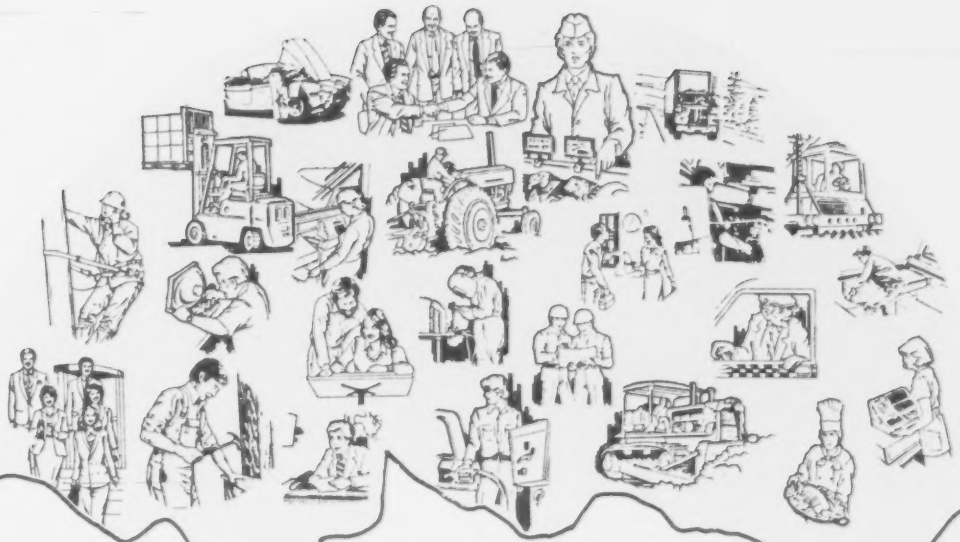

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Colorado Trends

The State's seven-month decline in unemployment came to an end in November, but the overall economic recovery was still much in evidence as employment posted another good gain. The seasonally adjusted jobless rate climbed to 6.9 percent from the revised level of 6.5 percent the prior month. Annual comparison remains favorable as the rate one year ago was 7.8 percent.

An estimated 117,000 Coloradans were out of work during November, an increase of 8,300 over October but 15,300 lower than last year at the same time. November's rise can be attributed to three factors: scattered worker cutbacks, more people coming into the labor force looking for work and the first major snowstorm of the season.

Much of the additional joblessness looks to be temporary in nature caused by the cold snowy weather that halted many outdoor activities. A review of unemployment claimant data shows new claims totaled about 3,100 the week prior to the survey week, almost 5,100 in the survey period and close to 3,200 the week after. Persons continuing to file for benefits did not show any unusual change during the weeks around the survey. This pattern seems to indicate many workers were off the job for only a short period of time.

Colorado's employment picture continued to improve during November with 12,000 additional persons finding work. The jobholder total after seasonal adjustment was 1,586,500 compared to 1,558,400 one year ago. During the last four months employment has expanded 60,300, bringing the number of working residents to the highest level since February of 1986.

The nation's unemployment rate dropped one-tenth of a percentage point to 5.9 percent in November. Unemployed persons numbered 7.1 million, basically unchanged from the prior month, but just over 1.0 million lower than one year ago. The number of civilian workers rose 315,000 to reach a record 113.5 million.

Unadjusted nonagricultural wage and salary employment in Colorado jumped again in November to 1,405,600, up 6,200 from the 1,399,400 recorded in October. The rise was the fourth monthly increase in a row and was significantly stronger than seasonal expectations. Six of the eight nonagricultural wage and salary industrial sectors gained jobs during the month, led by a 3,000 job rise in government. Total wage and salary jobs in the State raced above their level of one year ago when they numbered 1,398,800.

The two declining sectors during November were contract construction (down 1,800) and finance, insurance and real estate (down 200).

Trade followed government in the number of new jobs generated in November, adding 2,100 to 350,900. This increase, however, was below normal for the period, typically a strong month for retail trade because of the onset of the Christmas shopping season. In fact, trade was the only major sector to exhibit weaker than normal seasonal growth.

Services gained 1,600 jobs over the month to 323,300. Amusements (up 1,500) contributed most of these new jobs. The ski season got off to a good start aided by a timely mid-November storm.

Mining (up 100) and transportation and public utilities (up 400) registered small increases during the month.

Manufacturing (up 1,000) shows the most underlying strength of any sector at the moment as the weaker dollar continues to encourage production. Both durable and nondurable goods employment growth was larger than seasonally anticipated last month. Two developments in the Ft. Collins-Greeley area are providing the impetus for some of this growth. The Anheuser-Busch brewery is nearing production with a scheduled product delivery date of April 1. There are currently 300 manufacturing workers on the payroll at the plant, but this number is expected to swell to a permanent level of about 550 as all phases become operational by May. The hiring phase for these additional jobs has already been completed. Metal Containers Corp. of Windsor, a manufacturer of aluminum cans for use by the plant, will reach full production by March and employ 100.

Colorado Springs was one of two MSA's to buck the reversal in unemployment statewide during November. Its rate fell to a seasonally adjusted 7.5 percent, down from 7.6 percent in October. The MSA has added 3,390 to its total employment in the past year. Deluxe Check Printers of St. Paul, Minnesota has given the area another needed boost with the announcement that it has opened a new office in Colorado Springs that will eventually employ 200. This, along with reports of other upcoming expansions hopefully will replace the economic loss suffered with the layoff of nearly 300 workers at the INMOS computer chip plant in December.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in the **DENVER MSA** jumped to 6.4 percent in November, the first monthly rise in the last eight months. In October the rate stood at 5.9 percent while in November 1986 it was considerably higher at 7.3 percent.

After seasonal adjustment, 57,700 Denver Metro Area residents were without work, 4,800 above the October estimate. Even with this rise, however, the number of jobless persons is 7,700 below the year ago level of 65,400.

Adjusted employment numbers for November indicate the continuance of the trend toward improving employment opportunities in the Region. Total employment expanded 5,600 to 849,400 in spite of the rise in Area unemployment. This is the fourth monthly increase in a row and the highest level in nearly two years. Last year at this time 835,600 were employed.

Total nonfarm jobs in the Denver MSA numbered 806,900 in November, up 1,900 from October and 2,400 from one year ago. Trade (up 1,900) added the most jobs over the month, but this number was slightly below seasonal expectations for the industry. Seasonally strong sectors over the period consisted of manufacturing, services and government.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AREA LABOR FORCE AND INDUSTRY DATA 1/

COLORADO	NOV 1987	OCT 1987	AUG 1987	NOV 1986	CHANGE FROM: MONTH AGO	1 QTR. AGO	YEAR AGO
Resident Civilian Labor Force (In Thousands).	1703.5	1683.2	1657.0	1690.7	20.3	46.5	12.8
Unemployment	117.0	108.7	116.1	132.3	8.3	0.9	-15.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.9	6.5	7.0	7.8	---	---	---
Employment	1586.5	1574.5	1540.9	1558.4	12.0	45.6	28.1
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Jobs	1397.6	1392.7	1390.7	1390.7	4.9	6.9	6.9
Mining	23.8	23.8	23.9	25.1	0.0	-0.1	-1.3
Contract Construction	67.9	67.9	69.1	72.8	0.0	-1.2	-4.9
Manufacturing	184.5	182.6	182.2	183.6	1.9	2.3	0.9
Durable Goods	118.7	117.5	117.4	117.1	1.2	1.3	1.6
Nondurable Goods	65.8	65.1	64.8	66.5	0.7	1.0	-0.7
Transportation & Public Utilities	89.8	89.4	89.7	86.1	0.4	0.1	3.7
Trade	347.5	348.3	347.1	344.8	-0.8	0.4	2.7
Wholesale	74.9	74.6	74.1	76.3	0.3	0.8	-1.4
Retail	272.6	273.7	273.0	268.5	-1.1	-0.4	4.1
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	97.3	97.3	96.8	97.4	0.0	0.5	-0.1
Services	327.2	326.6	325.3	324.1	0.6	1.9	3.1
Government	259.6	256.8	256.6	256.8	2.8	3.0	2.8
Federal	54.6	54.0	53.4	53.2	0.6	1.2	1.4
State	61.5	61.4	61.3	59.8	0.1	0.2	1.7
Local	143.5	141.4	141.9	143.8	2.1	1.6	-0.3
DENVER MSA (Adams, Arapahoe, Denver, Douglas and Jefferson Counties)							
Resident Civilian Labor Force (In Thousands).	907.1	896.7	881.6	901.0	10.4	25.5	6.1
Unemployment	57.7	52.9	57.1	65.4	4.8	0.6	-7.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.4	5.9	6.5	7.3	---	---	---
Employment	849.4	843.8	824.5	835.6	5.6	24.9	13.8
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Jobs	802.0	800.5	801.7	799.7	1.5	0.3	2.3
Mining	15.6	15.6	15.7	16.5	0.0	-0.1	-0.9
Contract Construction	39.0	39.2	38.8	40.5	-0.2	0.2	-1.5
Manufacturing	93.8	93.5	93.8	95.6	0.3	0.0	-1.8
Durable Goods	50.0	49.9	49.9	50.8	0.1	0.1	-0.8
Nondurable Goods	43.8	43.6	43.8	44.8	0.2	0.0	-1.0
Transportation & Public Utilities	65.4	65.4	66.8	62.0	0.0	-1.4	3.4
Trade	203.4	203.7	204.2	202.1	-0.3	-0.8	1.3
Wholesale	53.6	53.6	53.0	55.3	0.0	0.6	-1.7
Retail	149.8	150.1	151.2	146.8	-0.3	-1.4	3.0
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	64.9	64.9	64.6	65.8	0.0	0.3	-0.9
Services	195.0	194.2	195.1	194.4	0.8	-0.1	0.6
Government	124.9	124.0	122.7	122.8	0.9	2.2	2.1
Federal	32.7	32.3	32.1	31.5	0.4	0.6	1.2
State	25.5	25.5	25.5	25.4	0.0	0.0	0.1
Local	66.7	66.2	65.1	65.9	0.5	1.6	0.8
BOULDER-LONGMONT MSA (Boulder County)							
Resident Civilian Labor Force	133040	131150	128350	129880	1890	4690	3160
Unemployment	6800	6040	6880	7170	760	-80	-370
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.1	4.6	5.4	5.5	---	---	---
Employment	126240	125110	121470	122710	1130	4770	3530
COLORADO SPRINGS MSA (El Paso County)							
Resident Civilian Labor Force	180850	178680	176890	177530	2170	3960	3320
Unemployment	13570	13500	14260	13640	70	-690	-70
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.5	7.6	8.1	7.7	---	---	---
Employment	167280	165180	162630	163890	2100	4650	3390
FORT COLLINS-LOVELAND MSA (Larimer County)							
Resident Civilian Labor Force	88020	85680	83930	86240	2340	4090	1780
Unemployment	6090	5090	5520	6140	1000	570	-50
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.9	5.9	6.6	7.1	---	---	---
Employment	81930	80590	78410	80100	1340	3520	1830
GREELEY MSA (Weld County)							
Resident Civilian Labor Force	65980	63830	62480	63740	2150	3500	2240
Unemployment	5540	4710	4610	5650	830	930	-110
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.4	7.4	7.4	8.9	---	---	---
Employment	60440	59120	57870	58090	1320	2570	2350
PUEBLO MSA (Pueblo County)							
Resident Civilian Labor Force	48670	48420	48290	49530	250	380	-860
Unemployment	4250	4290	4290	5870	-40	-40	-1620
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.7	8.9	8.9	11.9	---	---	---
Employment	44420	44130	44000	43660	290	420	760

COLORADO LABOR FORCE AND EMPLOYMENT

STATE OF COLORADO	NOV 2/ 1987	OCT 3/ 1987	NOV 1986	CHANGE FROM MONTH AGO	CHANGE FROM YEAR AGO
TOTAL CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE (In Thousands). (by place of residence)	1701.4	1692.6	1688.2	8800	13200
UNEMPLOYMENT 4/	113.3	102.4	129.0	10900	-14700
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.7	6.1	7.6	---	---
EMPLOYMENT	1588.1	1590.2	1560.2	-2100	27900
Nonagricultural 5/	1552.8	1539.8	1524.5	13000	28300
Agricultural	35.3	50.4	35.7	-15100	-400
WAGE & SALARY 6/	1405.6	1399.4	1398.8	6200	6800
(by place of work)					
MINING	23.8	23.7	25.1	100	-1300
Bit. Coal, Lignite & Nonmetallic	4.0	4.0	3.9	0	100
Oil & Gas Extraction	17.3	17.1	18.1	200	-800
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	70.1	71.9	75.2	-1800	-5100
General Building Contractors	15.8	16.6	18.6	-800	-2800
Heavy Construction Contractors	10.3	10.9	10.3	-600	0
Special Trade Contractors	44.0	44.4	46.3	-400	-2300
MANUFACTURING	185.4	184.4	184.5	1000	900
Durable Goods	118.9	118.3	117.3	600	1600
Lumber, Wood Products & Furniture	7.0	6.8	7.0	200	0
Stone, Clay, Glass & Concrete Prd	8.1	8.0	9.4	100	-300
Primary & Fabricated Metals	13.3	13.3	12.8	0	500
Machinery, except Electrical	27.0	26.9	25.1	100	1900
Electric & Electronic Equipment	22.3	22.3	22.7	0	-400
Transportation Equipment	18.4	18.3	18.1	100	300
Nondurable Goods	66.5	66.1	67.2	400	-700
Food & Kindred Products	23.3	23.0	24.0	300	-700
Printing & Publishing	23.2	23.1	23.0	100	200
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	90.1	89.7	86.4	400	3700
Communication, Elec, Gas, Sani. Svcs	46.5	46.4	46.2	100	300
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	350.9	348.8	348.2	2100	2700
Wholesale Trade	74.8	74.8	76.2	0	-1400
Retail Trade	276.1	274.0	272.0	2100	4100
General Merchandise Stores	33.8	32.5	31.5	1300	2300
Food Stores	42.2	41.9	40.8	300	1400
Automotive Dealers & Svc. Station	28.6	28.6	28.5	0	100
Eating & Drinking Places	103.5	103.7	103.3	-200	200
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	96.4	96.6	96.5	-200	-100
Banking	21.6	21.4	22.1	200	-500
Credit Agencies Other Than Banks	18.7	18.7	19.3	0	-600
SERVICES	323.3	321.7	320.2	1600	3100
Hotels & Other Lodging	25.7	25.7	25.8	0	-100
Personal Services	17.4	17.4	16.5	0	900
Business Services	70.8	70.6	69.8	200	1000
Auto & Misc. Repair Services	15.6	15.7	15.8	-100	-200
Amusements & Recreation	19.4	17.9	18.9	1500	500
Health Services	81.7	81.4	79.9	300	1800
Hospitals	35.0	34.9	33.7	100	1300
GOVERNMENT	265.6	262.6	262.7	3000	2900
Federal Government	54.3	54.1	52.9	200	1400
State Government	65.4	64.8	63.6	600	1800
Education	45.5	44.8	44.0	700	1500
Local Government	145.9	143.7	146.2	2200	-300
Education	80.5	78.1	80.6	2400	-100
LABOR DISPUTANTS	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0

DENVER MSA AND BOULDER-LONGMONT MSA LABOR FORCE AND EMPLOYMENT

DENVER MSA (Adams, Arapahoe, Denver, Douglas and Jefferson Counties)	NOV 2/ 1987	OCT 3/ 1987	NOV 1986	CHANGE FROM MONTH AGO	CHANGE FROM YEAR AGO
TOTAL CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE (In Thousands). (by place of residence)	908.9	901.7	902.7	7200	6200
UNEMPLOYMENT 4/	56.1	51.2	63.6	4900	-7500
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.2	5.7	7.0	---	---
EMPLOYMENT	852.8	850.5	839.1	2300	13700
Nonagricultural 5/	846.5	841.6	832.8	4900	13700
Agricultural	6.3	8.9	6.3	-2600	0
WAGE & SALARY 6/ (by place of work)	806.9	805.0	804.5	1900	2400
MINING	15.6	15.6	16.5	0	-900
Oil & Gas Extraction	13.9	13.9	14.6	0	-700
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	40.1	40.4	41.6	-300	-1500
MANUFACTURING	94.0	93.9	95.9	100	-1900
Durable Goods	50.2	50.3	51.1	-100	-900
Transportation Equipment	16.3	16.2	16.3	100	0
Nondurable Goods	43.8	43.6	44.8	200	-1000
Food & Kindred Products	13.6	13.6	14.5	0	-900
Printing & Publishing	13.2	13.0	13.2	200	0
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	65.7	65.5	62.2	200	3500
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	206.2	204.3	204.8	1900	1400
Wholesale Trade	53.4	53.4	55.1	0	-1700
Retail Trade	152.8	150.9	149.7	1900	3100
Eating & Drinking Places	55.8	55.9	54.2	-100	1600
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	64.4	64.7	65.3	-300	-900
SERVICES	193.6	194.2	193.0	-600	600
Hotels & Other Lodging	11.3	11.3	11.8	0	-500
Health Services	46.9	46.9	46.0	0	900
GOVERNMENT	127.3	126.4	125.2	900	2100
Federal Government	32.5	32.3	31.3	200	1200
State Government	26.7	26.6	26.6	100	100
Local Government	68.1	67.5	67.5	600	800
LABOR DISPUTANTS	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0

BOULDER-LONGMONT MSA (Boulder County)	NOV 2/ 1987	OCT 3/ 1987	NOV 1986	CHANGE FROM MONTH AGO	CHANGE FROM YEAR AGO
TOTAL CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE (In Thousands). (by place of residence)	134.0	133.3	130.8	700	3200
UNEMPLOYMENT 4/	6.9	5.8	7.3	1100	-400
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.2	4.4	5.6	---	---
EMPLOYMENT	127.1	127.5	123.5	-400	3600
Nonagricultural 5/	125.7	125.4	122.0	300	3700
Agricultural	1.4	2.1	1.5	-700	-100
WAGE & SALARY 6/ (by place of work)	106.6	106.8	104.8	-200	1800
MINING	0.3	0.3	0.2	0	100
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	3.8	3.8	4.1	0	-300
MANUFACTURING	28.5	28.5	28.3	0	200
Durable Goods	23.3	23.4	23.1	-100	200
Nondurable Goods	5.2	5.1	5.2	100	0
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	2.2	2.2	2.3	0	-100
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	23.5	23.5	23.4	0	100
Wholesale Trade	2.7	2.7	2.7	0	0
Retail Trade	20.8	20.8	20.7	0	100
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	3.9	3.9	3.9	0	0
SERVICES	22.2	22.3	21.2	-100	1000
GOVERNMENT	22.2	22.3	21.4	-100	800
Federal Government	2.7	2.7	2.7	0	0
State Government	10.8	10.8	10.3	0	500
Local Government	8.7	8.8	8.4	-100	300
LABOR DISPUTANTS	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0

COLORADO LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

COLORADO AREA	NOVEMBER 1987 PRE TOTAL LABOR FORCE	TOTAL EMPLOY	TOTAL UN-EMP	% UN-EMP	--	OCTOBER 1987 REV TOTAL LABOR FORCE	TOTAL EMPLOY	TOTAL UN-EMP	% UN-EMP
ALAMOSA	6058	5612	446	7.4	--	6090	5720	370	6.1
ARCHULETA	2524	2349	175	6.9	--	2599	2432	167	6.4
BACA	1906	1837	69	3.6	--	2227	2101	126	5.7
BENT	2299	2154	145	6.3	--	2423	2281	142	5.9
CHAFFEE	6226	5536	690	11.1	--	6195	5555	640	10.3
CHEYENNE	933	919	14	1.5	--	1042	1024	18	1.7
CLEAR CREEK	2772	2513	259	9.3	--	2703	2457	246	9.1
CO. SPGS. MSA	181394	167780	13614	7.5	--	179549	166829	12720	7.1
CONEJOS	2176	1885	291	13.4	--	2255	2005	250	11.1
COSTILLA	920	765	155	16.8	--	967	813	154	15.9
CROWLEY	1357	1288	69	5.1	--	1454	1407	47	3.2
CUSTER	870	813	57	6.6	--	923	864	59	6.4
DELTA	8211	7509	702	8.5	--	8403	7761	642	7.6
DEN-BLDR CMSA	1042933	979876	63057	6.0	--	1034939	977971	56968	5.5
-BLDR-LMNT MSA	134062	127124	6938	5.2	--	133295	127490	5805	4.4
-DENVER MSA	908871	852752	56119	6.2	--	901644	850481	51163	5.7
---ADAMS	153544	142276	11268	7.3	--	152358	141897	10461	6.9
---ARAPAHOE	213868	202472	11396	5.3	--	212155	201933	10222	4.8
---DENVER	284124	265184	18940	6.7	--	281814	264478	17336	6.2
---DOUGLAS	19252	18302	950	4.9	--	19087	18253	834	4.4
---JEFFERSON	238083	224518	13565	5.7	--	236230	223920	12310	5.2
DOLORES	843	784	59	7.0	--	862	819	43	5.0
EAGLE	11822	11183	639	5.4	--	11090	10322	768	6.9
ELBERT	3544	3190	354	10.0	--	3631	3326	305	8.4
FT COL-LOVLD MSA	88544	82505	6039	6.8	--	87302	82602	4700	5.4
FREMONT	10946	9816	1130	10.3	--	10858	9821	1037	9.6
GARFIELD	14220	13171	1049	7.4	--	14106	13173	933	6.6
GILPIN	1276	1176	100	7.8	--	1256	1160	96	7.6
GRAND	5785	5504	281	4.9	--	5452	5184	268	4.9
GREELEY MSA	65216	60195	5021	7.7	--	65377	61185	4192	6.4
GUNNISON	5801	5402	399	6.9	--	5862	5482	380	6.5
HINSDALE	380	354	26	6.8	--	388	380	8	2.1
HUERFANO	2322	2098	224	9.6	--	2429	2203	226	9.3
JACKSON	832	804	28	3.4	--	917	882	35	3.8
KIOWA	961	920	41	4.3	--	1110	1049	61	5.5
KIT CARSON	3682	3501	181	4.9	--	4000	3878	122	3.0
LAKE	1578	1212	366	23.2	--	1543	1201	342	22.2
LA PLATA	16182	14997	1185	7.3	--	16052	15038	1014	6.3
LAS ANIMAS	4353	3942	411	9.4	--	4440	4027	413	9.3
LINCOLN	2055	1955	100	4.9	--	2170	2117	53	2.4
LOGAN	8711	8279	432	5.0	--	9126	8667	459	5.0
MESA	37688	34269	3419	9.1	--	37570	34421	3149	8.4
MINERAL	272	246	26	9.6	--	275	255	20	7.3
MOFFAT	5312	4831	481	9.1	--	5239	4851	388	7.4
MONTEZUMA	8545	7674	871	10.2	--	8493	7798	695	8.2
MONTROSE	10737	9796	941	8.8	--	10762	9975	787	7.3
MORGAN	9105	8403	702	7.7	--	9379	8783	596	6.4
OTERO	8292	7622	670	8.1	--	8478	7785	693	8.2
OURAY	1084	984	100	9.2	--	1094	1047	47	4.3
PARK	2851	2594	257	9.0	--	2876	2648	228	7.9
PHILLIPS	2104	2055	49	2.3	--	2391	2297	94	3.9
PITKIN	9471	8850	621	6.6	--	9402	8774	628	6.7
PROWERS	6368	6042	326	5.1	--	6547	6210	337	5.1
PUEBLO MSA	48351	44283	4068	8.4	--	48422	44442	3980	8.2
RIO BLANCO	2771	2604	167	6.0	--	2817	2648	169	6.0
RIO GRANDE	4969	4511	458	9.2	--	5117	4621	496	9.7
ROUTT	7469	6846	623	8.3	--	7404	6745	659	8.9
SAGUACHE	1418	1241	177	12.5	--	1575	1392	183	11.6
SAN JUAN	535	470	65	12.1	--	521	470	51	9.8
SAN MIGUEL	2088	1917	171	8.2	--	2127	1981	146	6.9
SEDGWICK	1344	1258	86	6.4	--	1430	1371	59	4.1
SUMMIT	9032	8641	391	4.3	--	8378	7971	407	4.9
TELLER	4908	4478	430	8.8	--	4843	4441	402	8.3
WASHINGTON	2403	2240	163	6.8	--	2677	2567	110	4.1
YUMA	4607	4403	204	4.4	--	5084	4968	116	2.3
STATE TOTAL	1701356	1588082	113274	6.7	--	1692641	1590197	102444	6.1

ESTIMATES MADE IN COOPERATION WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS AND ADJUSTED TO CURRENT POPULATION SURVEY DATA. ESTIMATES NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED.

COLORADO LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

DEPT. OF LAB. & EMP.
LABOR MARKET AND INFORMATION

AVERAGE MONTHLY LABOR FORCE FOR
JAN87-NOV87-- 12-30-87

AREA	TOTAL LABOR FORCE	TOTAL EMPLOY	TOTAL UN-EMP	% UN-EMP
ALAMOSA	6009	5425	584	9.7
ARCHULETA	2549	2330	219	8.6
BACA	2029	1936	93	4.6
BENT	2331	2186	145	6.2
CHAFFEE	6351	5554	797	12.5
CHEYENNE	999	957	42	4.2
CLEAR CREEK	2924	2594	330	11.3
CO. SPGS. MSA	180664	164964	15700	8.7
CONEJOS	2397	1923	474	19.8
COSTILLA	996	774	222	22.3
CROWLEY	1261	1172	89	7.1
CUSTER	900	824	76	8.4
DELTA	8351	7305	1046	12.5
DEN-BLDR CMSA	1029736	957285	72451	7.0
-BLDR-LMNT MSA	130532	122869	7663	5.9
-DENVER MSA	899204	834416	64788	7.2
---ADAMS	153028	139217	13811	9.0
---ARAPAHOE	210759	198118	12641	6.0
---DENVER	281459	259482	21977	7.8
---DOUGLAS	19066	17909	1157	6.1
---JEFFERSON	234893	219690	15203	6.5
DOLORES	859	790	69	8.0
EAGLE	11541	10776	765	6.6
ELBERT	3643	3249	394	10.8
FT COL-LOVLD MSA	86925	80747	6178	7.1
FREMONT	11214	9745	1469	13.1
GARFIELD	14315	13045	1270	8.9
GILPIN	1292	1163	129	10.0
GRAND	5564	5248	316	5.7
GREELEY MSA	64341	58874	5467	8.5
GUNNISON	5711	5295	416	7.3
HINSDALE	386	357	29	7.5
HUERFANO	2525	2119	406	16.1
JACKSON	877	826	51	5.8
KIOWA	1009	961	48	4.8
KIT CARSON	3809	3622	187	4.9
LAKE	1588	1220	368	23.2
LA PLATA	16538	15063	1475	8.9
LAS ANIMAS	4455	3859	596	13.4
LINCOLN	2109	2011	98	4.6
LOGAN	9179	8466	713	7.8
MESA	38184	33808	4376	11.5
MINERAL	292	246	46	15.8
MOFFAT	5456	4799	657	12.0
MONTEZUMA	8806	7583	1223	13.9
MONTROSE	10826	9606	1220	11.3
MORGAN	9260	8344	916	9.9
OTERO	8649	7657	992	11.5
OURAY	1104	997	107	9.7
PARK	2879	2578	301	10.5
PHILLIPS	2210	2128	82	3.7
PITKIN	9401	8855	546	5.8
PROWERS	6473	6006	467	7.2
PUEBLO MSA	48893	43659	5234	10.7
RIO BLANCO	2845	2605	240	8.4
RIO GRANDE	5265	4466	799	15.2
ROUTT	7753	7003	750	9.7
SAGUACHE	1620	1297	323	19.9
SAN JUAN	575	493	82	14.3
SAN MIGUEL	2174	1942	232	10.7
SEDGWICK	1373	1292	81	5.9
SUMMIT	8865	8420	445	5.0
TELLER	4970	4427	543	10.9
WASHINGTON	2537	2352	185	7.3
YUMA	4705	4514	191	4.1
STATE TOTAL	1690491	1557742	132749	7.9

COLORADO LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

DEPT. OF LAB. & EMP
LABOR MKT. INFORMATION

ANNUAL AVERAGE 1986

AREA	TOTAL LABOR FORCE	TOTAL EMPLOY	TOTAL UN-EMP	% UN-EMP
ALAMOSA	5965	5369	596	10.0
ARCHULETA	2620	2337	283	10.8
BACA	2058	1946	112	5.4
BENT	2309	2187	122	5.3
CHAFFEE	6426	5739	687	10.7
CHEYENNE	1034	970	64	6.2
CLEAR CREEK	3014	2724	290	9.6
CO. SPGS. MSA	178784	165687	13097	7.3
CONEJOS	2457	1939	518	21.1
COSTILLA	1041	791	250	24.0
CROWLEY	1101	992	109	9.9
CUSTER	927	837	90	9.7
DELTA	8490	7248	1242	14.6
DEN-BLDR CMSA	1029598	962095	67503	6.6
-BLDR-LMNT MSA	129645	121908	7737	6.0
-DENVER MSA	899953	840187	59766	6.6
---ADAMS	152967	140180	12787	8.4
---ARAPAHOE	211395	199489	11906	5.6
---DENVER	281682	261276	20406	7.2
---DOUGLAS	19091	18033	1058	5.5
---JEFFERSON	234820	221210	13610	5.8
DOLORES	883	811	72	8.2
EAGLE	12467	11620	847	6.8
ELBERT	3617	3304	313	8.7
FT COL-LOVLD MSA	86974	81221	5753	6.6
FREMONT	11297	10044	1253	11.1
GARFIELD	14537	13116	1421	9.8
GILPIN	1287	1170	117	9.1
GRAND	5481	5220	261	4.8
GREELEY MSA	63798	58419	5379	8.4
GUNNISON	5870	5535	335	5.7
HINSDALE	379	363	16	4.2
HUERFANO	2642	2187	455	17.2
JACKSON	885	835	50	5.6
KIOWA	999	969	30	3.0
KIT CARSON	3812	3639	173	4.5
LAKE	1851	1503	348	18.8
LA PLATA	16338	14894	1444	8.8
LAS ANIMAS	4560	3854	706	15.5
LINCOLN	2147	2032	115	5.4
LOGAN	9461	8743	718	7.6
MESA	38813	34167	4646	12.0
MINERAL	293	251	42	14.3
MOFFAT	5536	4821	715	12.9
MONTEZUMA	8883	7671	1212	13.6
MONTROSE	10895	9458	1437	13.2
MORGAN	9442	8358	1084	11.5
OTERO	8812	7943	869	9.9
OURAY	1143	996	147	12.9
PARK	2923	2660	263	9.0
PHILLIPS	2258	2154	104	4.6
PITKIN	9649	9086	563	5.8
PROWERS	6558	6037	521	7.9
PUEBLO MSA	49720	43704	6016	12.1
RIO BLANCO	2951	2724	227	7.7
RIO GRANDE	5473	4782	691	12.6
ROUTT	8056	7397	659	8.2
SAGUACHE	1604	1302	302	18.8
SAN JUAN	663	559	104	15.7
SAN MIGUEL	2285	2097	188	8.2
SEDGWICK	1414	1302	112	7.9
SUMMIT	9188	8773	415	4.5
TELLER	4999	4507	492	9.8
WASHINGTON	2575	2378	197	7.7
YUMA	4761	4536	225	4.7
STATE TOTAL	1694000	1568000	126000	7.4

ESTIMATES MADE IN COOPERATION WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR - BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS AND ADJUSTED TO THE 1986 CURRENT POPULATION SURVEY.

HOURS AND EARNINGS FOR SELECTED INDUSTRIES 7/

COLORADO

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	NOV 2/ 1987	OCT 3/ 1987	NOV 1986	NOV 2/ 1987	OCT 3/ 1987	NOV 1986	NOV 2/ 1987	OCT 3/ 1987	NOV 1986
CONSTRUCTION	$469.48	$473.20	$427.25	37.8	38.1	34.4	$12.42	$12.42	$12.42
MANUFACTURING	$394.88	$398.40	$386.51	40.5	40.0	39.2	$9.75	$9.96	$9.86
Durable Goods	$403.62	$409.41	$390.56	42.0	40.9	38.9	$9.61	$10.01	$10.04
Nondurable Goods	$382.62	$380.38	$380.16	38.3	38.5	39.6	$9.99	$9.88	$9.60

DENVER MSA (Adams, Arapahoe, Denver, Douglas and Jefferson Counties)

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	NOV 2/ 1987	OCT 3/ 1987	NOV 1986	NOV 2/ 1987	OCT 3/ 1987	NOV 1986	NOV 2/ 1987	OCT 3/ 1987	NOV 1986
CONSTRUCTION	$514.54	$506.73	$443.49	38.6	38.1	33.7	$13.33	$13.30	$13.16
MANUFACTURING	$430.67	$436.32	$426.02	40.1	40.4	38.8	$10.74	$10.80	$10.98
Durable Goods	$459.54	$468.86	$430.16	41.4	41.9	37.8	$11.10	$11.19	$11.38
Nondurable Goods	$403.78	$406.64	$421.22	38.9	39.1	39.7	$10.38	$10.40	$10.61

SELECTED MONTHLY ACTIVITES

	COLORADO 8/			DENVER AREA		
	NOV 1987	OCT 1987	NOV 1986	NOV 1987	OCT 1987	NOV 1986
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE						
Initial Claims	15,448	13,273	17,496	7,854	6,772	9,193
Continued Claims	101,221	98,978	132,116	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Number of Weeks Compensated	80,060	78,337	95,406	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Amount of Benefits Paid	$12,641,289	$12,495,284	$15,441,357	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Benefit Funds Available	$105,659,049	$92,863,384	$97,593,688	---	---	---
EMPLOYMENT SERVICE						
New Applications for Work	14,006	15,404	14,752	7,025	7,645	8,244
Nonagricultural Placements	5,611	6,016	5,716	1,941	1,961	2,604
Agricultural Placements	291	663	163	148	236	49

AREA LABOR FORCE COMPARISONS

October 1987 - In Thousands

	United States 3/	Colorado 3/	Arizona	Idaho	Montana	New Mexico	Utah	Wyoming
Civilian Labor Force	120,744	1692.6	1658.4	471.1	396.0	677.4	756.3	240.1
Unemployment	6,845	102.4	91.2	24.9	24.4	55.3	39.2	15.7
Unemployment Rate(%)	5.7	6.1	5.5	5.3	6.2	8.2	5.2	6.5
Employment	113,998	1590.2	1567.2	446.2	371.6	622.1	717.1	224.4

FOOTNOTES TO DATA TABLES

Estimates made in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. Labor force components are adjusted to Current Population Survey Data. Estimates not seasonally adjusted except where otherwise noted.

1/ Data is seasonally adjusted. Recurrent yearly movements in labor force data associated with the Current Population Survey have been isolated and removed by the X-11-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Method. Industry data series detail may not add to totals because they have been independently adjusted. Effects of irregularities such as unseasonal weather, strikes, etc. on the trend-cycle component of individual series have been reduced by graduated treatment of extremes.

2/ Preliminary.

3/ Revised.

4/ Residents unemployed during the week including the 12th of the month.

5/ Includes residence adjusted nonagricultural wage and salary workers, self-employed, unpaid family, domestic workers and labor disputants.

6/ Estimates of all full and part-time employees who worked during or received pay for any part of the pay period including the 12th of the month. Excluded are self-employed, unpaid family, domestic workers and members of the Armed Forces. Estimates based on March 1986 benchmark utilizing 1972 Standard Industrial Classification Codes. Only subsectors for which an adequate estimating sample is available are shown. Due to rounding, sum of major industry sectors may not equal total.

7/ Averages, prepared by the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment, based upon data for full and part-time production, working supervisory, and related employees who worked during the pay period including the 12th of the month. Average earnings are computed on a "gross" basis and may reflect change in basic hourly and incentive wage rates. Average hourly earnings are not wage rates but averages of gross earnings of all employees below administrative level.

8/ The Colorado statewide totals for number of weeks compensated and amount of benefits paid include counts relating to lost checks and previous benefit underpayments under the regular State Unemployment Insurance Program.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

CURRENT POPULATION SURVEY (CPS) - Is the official survey instrument for measuring labor force attachment in the United States. A survey of about 60,000 households is conducted throughout the nation each month by trained interviewers. Employment and unemployment data for Colorado reflect responses of approximately 900 households within the State which are represented in the CPS sample.

EMPLOYED PERSONS - Are those individuals 16 or older who worked at least one hour for pay or profit or worked at least 15 unpaid hours in a family business during the survey week. Individuals are also counted as employed if they had a job but did not work because they were ill, on vacation, in a labor dispute or prevented from working because of bad weather or personal reasons. Each person is counted only once by place of their residence. Persons in the Armed Forces are excluded.

UNEMPLOYED PERSONS - Are those individuals 16 or over who did no work during the survey week, were available to work and had taken specific actions to find a job during the last four weeks. Persons who have been laid off subject to call-back or are waiting to begin a new job within 30 days are also classified as unemployed.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE - Is the total number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the employed and unemployed, i.e., as a percentage of the civilian labor force.

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